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New mental health hospital gets boost



WICHITA WILL HOST A NEW 50-BED ADULT PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY THAT WILL ADDRESS A CRITICAL NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN KANSAS.

A long-sought-after new mental health hospital in the Wichita region received a boost recently. State officials approved in late December the allocation of \$15 million to support the construction of a 50-bed hospital.

The proposed hospital would help relieve the strain on the state's two mental health hospitals: Larned State Hospital in western Kansas and Osawatomie State Hospital in northeast Kansas. It also would enable some patients from the Wichita area to be closer to their families.

The state once operated four mental health facilities. It closed Topeka State Hospital in 1997 and Winfield State Hospital in 1998. The original plan was to shift funding to community mental health centers, but that didn't happen.

Many people suffering from mental illnesses end up in the Sedgwick County Jail. Because the state hospitals are at capacity, inmates have to wait, on average, about five months before they are transferred.

Ascension Via Christi St. Joseph also has been overwhelmed by the mental health patients and their needs. People with severe mental health issues often are dropped off at the Emergency Department at St. Joe, whether or not there are available beds in the hospital.

Sedgwick County requested an additional \$25 million for the project from the state committee in charge of disbursing federal American Rescue Plan Act funds. Wichita-area lawmakers also want the hospital designed so it could be expanded, if needed.

No location has been selected for the hospital. County officials estimate it would take about two years to build the hospital.

"Right now, our largest mental health hospital is our jail, and that's just unacceptable," Sedgwick County Commissioner Sarah Lopez told the Wichita Eagle. "... Allowing at least 50 more beds with the potential of more to come will be an incredible asset to not just Sedgwick County but our entire region and our state."

MSSC board positions are up for election soon

Though it is still early in 2023, elections for next year's MSSC board officers and membership seats will occur soon, with candidates announced in April and the election on May 2. Positions include:

- President-elect
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Members (3)

The board meets at noon the last Wednesday of each month. To be an officer of the board, you have to have been an MSSC member for at least two years.

If you're interested in running for a board officer position or member seat, please contact the MSSC. Email Denise Phillips at denisephillips@med-soc.org or call her at (316) 683-7558.

Nationally known artist created bust of pioneering Kansas physician

A bronze bust of pioneering Wichita physician Andrew H. Fabrique watches over the lobby of the MSSC offices at 1102 S. Hillside, starting conversations and sometimes startling employees with its lifelike scale and imposing features.

The 96-year-old artwork is more than a treasured piece of Wichita medical history. It also reflects the early genius of Bruce Moore, a local artist who would make a mark far beyond Kansas with his sculptures and drawings of human and animal figures.

Fabrique was born in Harrison County, Indiana, in 1842. He moved to Wichita in 1869 and started a medical practice. In those early days, he often traveled miles into the country on horseback to treat a patient or deliver a baby. Surgeries were often done on the kitchen table with crude instruments and kerosene lamps for light.

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Kansas and its citizens suffer without Medicaid expansion



Maurice Duggins, MD
February President's Message

It is clear that electric vehicles (EVs) would not have made the progress they have without the funding support of the government. If you don't believe me, ask Ford, General Motors, Nissan and Tesla. These companies were beyond believing that EVs were good for the environment. For them, the cost associated with building the right type of vehicle with the right travel range at the right, affordable price was a nonstarter.

The government knew that this was an obstacle, so it subsidized the price of EVs. The states also pitched in by offering physical space and tax incentives to help companies create factories to build cars and batteries. Why were these incentives needed? Because to make an EV was one thing, but to make it affordable for regular folks was another thing.

Consider the amount of money individuals needed to purchase a Tesla in 2012 compared with today. It used to be only the rich could afford a Tesla. Now, with tax credits, a Tesla is affordable to many more people. All that is to say, when the government has placed financial resources behind things that are good, it has made our nation, states and counties better.

One struggle the federal government has is finding ways to encourage states to expand Medicaid services. Currently, 39 states and the District of Columbia have expanded Medicaid.

Unfortunately, Kansas is among the 11 states without Medicaid expansion. We stand out in the middle of the states surrounding us that have expanded Medicaid benefits to their citizens. The ability to expand this service has been available since about 2010, but having the Legislature and our governor landing on the same page

at the same time to expand Medicaid has been unsuccessful.

It is Kansas and citizens that suffer without Medicaid expansion. It is estimated that over 150,000 Kansas citizens could benefit from Medicaid expansion. That's a lot of souls who are not receiving the full access to health care they deserve. The federal government has provided generous subsidies to support this program, thus allowing citizens to benefit from the expansion. Many of these citizens are the ones we see in the emergency rooms because they don't have the insurance needed to see a primary care physician in a timely enough manner to avoid the use of the emergency room.

Hospitals also suffer without Medicaid expansion. They absorb the cost of taking care of many uninsured or underinsured patients. They cannot recoup enough revenues from such patients. This amounts to a loss in revenue estimated in billions of dollars. Expanding Medicaid would assist with the cost of taking care of these patients. It could also help keep rural hospitals from closing.

In addition to expanding Medicaid, the state needs to adjust Medicaid reimbursement rates, which haven't increased in 17 years. Because of low reimbursements, some physicians don't accept Medicaid patients or they limit the number of Medicaid patients they see. That puts more burden on the physicians left to take care of the patients who need ongoing prevention and care.

It is Black History Month, and I am reminded of a quote from Martin Luther King, Jr.: "History is the long and tragic story of the fact that privileged groups seldom give up their privileges voluntarily." The state has a budget surplus in place to afford Medicaid expansion. We have a governor who will sign off on Medicaid expansion. Polls show the public overwhelmingly supports it. Now we need to ask the legislators to offer the same privileges that they enjoy to their eligible constituents by expanding Medicaid.

In Brief ►►► New and noteworthy

FTC proposes ban on noncompetes

The Federal Trade Commission proposed last month a new rule intended to ban employment noncompete clauses, including those currently in effect. However, the rule may not apply to nonprofit hospitals and possibly governmental hospitals, according to an analysis by the Foulston Siefkin law firm.

The proposed FTC rule would preempt state law, which currently determines the validity of noncompete clauses. But certain entities, including entities not "organized to carry on business for its own profit or that of its members," would be exempt from the rule.

"This somewhat suggests that nonprofit hospitals and other nonprofit organizations may continue to evaluate and enforce noncompete provisions in employment contracts under State law even if the proposed FTC rule is adopted," Foulston wrote in an issue alert. "But the structure and operations of some organizations may require careful review to determine whether the applicable rules are those based in State law or whether the FTC rule applies if it is adopted."

Foulston recommends that health care organizations carefully evaluate the necessity and rationale for use of noncompete clauses and consider alternatives, such as nondisclosure and confidentiality clauses and non-solicitation clauses. For more information, visit foulston.com.

Omnibus bill includes fee-schedule cut

The \$1.7-trillion omnibus spending bill that passed Congress in late December contained many health care provisions, including several significant funding increases. However, it also included a Medicare fee schedule cut to physicians.

Per the bill, Medicare physician fees will be reduced 2% in 2023 and approximately 3% for 2024. Though that's less than the originally proposed 4.5% reduction, it could lead some practices to stop taking new Medicare patients.

"This 2% cut, following two decades of flat payment rates, will have consequences on health care access for older Americans," AMA President Jack Resneck, Jr., MD, said. "High inflation compounds the threat to practice viability, because physicians are the only Medicare providers without annual inflation-based updates."

The bill's funding increases included nearly \$5 billion to combat opioid misuse, including \$1.6 billion for state opioid grants. It also eliminates the DEA requirement that clinicians get an "X waiver" certification to prescribe buprenorphine. Mental health also received a significant boost in federal funding, including more than \$1 billion in state grants for community mental health services. It also added 200 new medical residency slots, half of which would be dedicated to psychiatry and psychiatry subspecialties.

The bill also extended for two years the HHS rules that made telehealth more accessible during the pandemic.

SAVE THE DATES!

►On Feb. 28 from 6-8 p.m., Black physicians, residents and medical students are invited to a special **Black History Month gathering** at Third Place Brewing, 630 E. Douglas.

►On March 30 from 6-8 p.m., WD<40 is celebrating **Doctors' Day** at Topgolf, 2976 N. Greenwich. There will be a gathering area with a buffet. Come hang out with fellow young physicians and, if you like, hit a few balls.



Apply for Nell scholarships

The Zola N. and Lawrence R. Nell Educational Trust Scholarship Program is accepting scholarship applications for grant funds to assist students studying at the post-baccalaureate level to become a physician or physician assistant. Applicants must have graduated from a Sedgwick County high school.

For an application, contact Deanne Newland at MSSC at (316) 683-7557 or deannenewland@med-soc.org. Applications and official transcripts are due by March 31 to Commerce Trust Company, Attn: Amy Houpt, PO Box 637, Wichita, KS 67201-0637.

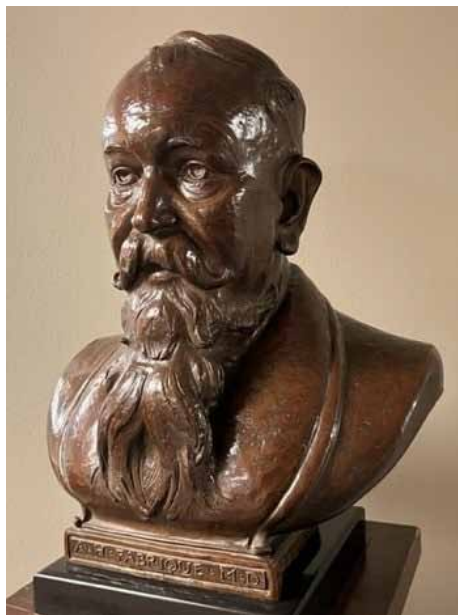
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Over the years, Fabrique learned new medical techniques and developed close ties to the medical school at Northwestern University. Interns from Northwestern came to Wichita to work with Fabrique.

Howard C. Clark, MD, wrote of Fabrique in "A History of the Sedgwick County Medical Society" that "there is no doubt that he blazed the trail for modern medicine in Wichita – in fact, the State of Kansas – and did more than any man of his time to bring good medicine to his state."

Moore, born in Bern, Kansas, moved with his family to Wichita at age 12 and was encouraged by local artists such as Ed Davison and C.A. Seward before winning a place in the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts at 17.

Moore is best known in Wichita for his ornamental exterior details at North High School and his lyrical "Girl and Fawn" outside Mark Arts. But he also designed the snarling bronze tigers on the Princeton campus and the "General Billy Mitchell" statue at the Smithsonian's Air and Space Museum. His work includes the 30-foot Columbia figure at the National Memorial of the Pacific in Honolulu and bronze doors at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. He also designed pieces for Steuben Glass, includ-



ing cups and vases for Queen Elizabeth II and President Eisenhower.

Moore was just 21 in March 1927 when the Medical Society, meeting at the Lassen Hotel, named a committee to explore the idea to commemorate the life and work of Fabrique. In the MSSC minutes, "statue" is crossed out and "Bronze Bust" written in.

M*A*S*H Bash on March 11 to raise funds for fellowships

Ascension Via Christi and Via Christi Foundation are hosting a "M*A*S*H Bash" at Doc Hangar on March 11. The event is a fundraiser for the International Family Medicine Fellowship, a one-year post-residency training program in which participants serve five months at a partnering hospital in Niger, Honduras, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, Bangladesh or Zambia.

The theme of the event is the TV show "M*A*S*H" and includes a "tin tray buffet" and look-alike contests and live and silent auctions. For more information and to order tickets, call (316) 239-3537 or email foundation@viachristi.org.

MSSC docs featured at business summit

The Kansas Business Group on Health, an affiliate of MSSC, held its annual Innovation Summit on Jan. 26. Several MSSC members participated in panel discussions or made presentations.

Brandon Alleman, MD, and executives from Village Travel spoke about the company's new health plan model that centers around direct primary care. Rachel Brown, MBBS, discussed mental health for young people. Dasa Gangadhar, MD, assistant dean for clinical education at the Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine, talked about the goals and objectives of the new medical school with David Ninan, DO, dean at KansasCOM (pictured above).



Just two weeks later, "the doctors had raised more money than was needed for the Bust," according to the minutes. No price was noted.

That April, the Eagle reported that Moore had opened a studio at 1st and Broadway where he was working on a bust of Fabrique that "even in its early stages strikingly portrays the massive, rugged head of that veteran physician." The doctor reportedly urged Moore to capture how a "drunken and wounded cowboy" once had taken a shot at him and "nipped off the top of an ear" – a noticeable detail.

The plaque on the pedestal says the bust was created by Moore for "Fab's Boys" – the young interns drawn to Wichita to work with the self-made physician who had helped establish St. Francis hospital. He died May 10, 1928.

Over the years, Moore taught at the future WSU and in New York City and Maryland. He died in 1980. Four years later, WAM and the Art Association honored him with a retrospective exhibition of more than 240 of his sculptures, drawings and lithographs. Noting Moore's ability to capture the living spirit of whatever he was portraying, a Smithsonian curator once told the Eagle: "He was a sculptor's sculptor."

ROSTER UPDATE

Keep your 2023 roster current with this information.

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Chad M. Corrigan, MD – 1/10/23

Kenneth A. Jansson, MD – 1/10/23

Harry A. Morris, MD – 1/10/23

In Remembrance

MSSC extends its condolences to the families of Drs. Ludwig, Relihan and Durano.

► **Carol Ludwig, MD**, a family medicine physician whose passion led her to specialize in palliative care, died Dec. 3. She was 65.

Ludwig received her medical degree from the University of Kansas School of Medicine in 1984. She was board certified in Family Medicine, where she spend the first 15 years of her career. She then acquired board certification in Hospice & Palliative Medicine and provided end-of-life care for the latter half of her medical career. She was a member of the MSSC from 2009 until her retirement in 2014.

Ludwig is survived by her husband, James; mother, Rose Newhouse; daughter, Claire Grasso; sons, Andrew and Peter Ludwig; brothers, Tom and David Newhouse; and four grandchildren.

► Retired ophthalmologist **Donald Relihan, MD**, who practiced in Wichita for 47 years, died Jan. 27. He was 96.

Relihan served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Following his service, Relihan returned to college at the University of Kansas where he earned his medical degree in 1954.

He was an active member of the MSSC from 1958 to 2005, following his retirement from Grene Vision Group. He was MSSC vice president in 1977, and on the Professional & Community Affairs Committee 1964-65. He was

a spokesman for his specialty in 1985.

Relihan is survived by his daughter, Jane Hesse; son, Ted Relihan; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

► Urologist **Antonio “Tony” Durano, Jr., MD**, died Feb. 3 at age 93.

Durano was born in Danao City, Cebu, Philippines, the oldest of 10 children. In 1945, the U.S. Army arrived at Talisay Beach near his home in Cebu. Durano, then 15, spent three months volunteering as an interpreter/guide for the Americal Division of the U.S. Army as they liberated the island. He went on to earn his medical degree at Manila Central University in 1956 before immigrating to the United States in 1957.

Durano completed his residency in urology at St. Francis Hospital in Wichita and opened a private practice in the city, which he ran until 2005. He then continued practicing general medicine in western Kansas in the communities of Elkhart, Ulysses and Liberal until 2017. He was an MSSC member from 1968 until 2002. Durano served on the MSSC Professional Investigation Committee from 1988-89 and as a urology spokesman for MSSC 1993-1994.

Durano is survived by his daughter Rebecca Allen; sons, Tony and Rich Durano; siblings George Durano; Eustacio Durano, Asuncion Durano Rivera, Natividad Durano Almeda, Bibiana, Floro Durano, Roy Durano and Kay Galeos Durano; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.



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Central Plains Health Care Partnership

From the executive director



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Project Access

Project Access is optimistic for another successful year in 2023. In 2022, the fundraising goal was met. Guadalupe Clinic supported a pilot project for specific referrals, the THRIVE Allen County grants continue to focus on expanding enrollments into the Affordable Care Act Marketplace and Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) and enrollment in Medicaid for those meeting the criteria. Project Access received funding to complete the upgrade to Charisma Salus, the software program created by and owned by Project Access. High Touch Technologies will continue the upgrade, which will enable Project Access to access and report on more data, such as laboratory results for clients working with our community health worker.

Our Project Access community health worker, Lauren Lopez, is actively working with clients who have been diagnosed with diabetes, have high cholesterol or high blood pressure. The 2023 criteria for referral will be expanded to include more disease states. In late January, Lopez began training to become a certified community health worker, to be completed in May. Lopez created a video that explains the role of a community health worker and all she can do to help her clients.

Project Access received funds from a local foundation in late 2022 that will be used to help existing clients with limited one-time unmet financial needs to help address myriad needs such as car repairs to enable transportation to work, or appropriate shoes for clients with diabetes, or payment for medical equipment or pharmaceuticals not currently paid by existing Project Access funds, and more. This is a one-time funding opportunity, but one we hope will help our clients with unexpected expenses and ultimately will help them maintain their health or address a social determinant of health.

Project Access is excited for 2023 and looking at new ways we can expand the support we provide to our clients and our providers. We continue our appreciation to all of our generous medical providers who continue to donate care to those in need, to our referral partners (our community clinics), to our funding entities (city, county and United Way) and to our many generous donors who provided financial support in 2022.

Kansas Business Group on Health

KBGH hosted the annual Innovation Summit on Jan. 26 at the Hudson Venue. The focus of this conference is to highlight local or regional speakers who are offering innovations in the health care benefit space. Speakers included Dr. Brandon Alleman, Justin Lietzen from ProviDrs Care, Dr. Rachel Brown and more.

KBGH is working with the National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions on an upcoming survey designed for benefit plan sponsors (employers) that will focus on behavioral health care. This survey keys in on several areas including access to care, quality of care, collaborative/integrated care, tele-behavioral health and more. KBGH remains committed to helping our members ensure that plan members receive the behavioral health care and treatment they need.

KBGH began its 2023 book club on Feb. 9 with the book "Sickening: How Big Pharma Broke American Health Care" by Dr. John Abramson. This book takes a deep dive behind the curtain of "big pharma." Benefit plan sponsors are invited to attend. The book club meets every two weeks in February and March.

KBGH completed its 2022 benchmarking survey and annual report. The benchmarking survey, completed by local health plan sponsors, addresses various areas related



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Project Access Patient Testimonial

Lakeitha – Project Access patient

While Project Access is always pleased to enroll another patient for donated care, Lakeitha's enrollment is a bit more special. Lakeitha's enrollment represents our 15,000th patient served by our program since we opened our doors on Sept. 1, 1999.

Lakeitha was referred from GraceMed to see a cardiologist since she was experiencing heart palpitations due to mitral valve prolapse. Lakeitha worked at GraceMed years ago, so she was familiar with Project Access and how the referral process to our program works.

She has just started her journey with the cardiologist and is incredibly grateful and thankful to be able to seek medical support. As a program, Project Access continues to be thankful for the generosity of our participating physicians, our donors and our board, all which allow milestones like this to occur.



About Project Access

In 1999, Project Access began coordinating access to donated medical care for uninsured, low-income residents of Sedgwick County. Thanks to our founding funders – United Way of the Plains, the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County – Project Access is still able to serve the community today. This is who participates in Project Access:

- 640 physicians
- Eight hospital systems
- 14 dentists
- 85 pharmacies
- Other allied health care services, such as physical therapy and hospice care

Project Access and its community partners serve patients in many locations. Eligible uninsured patients are enrolled for limited periods of time to address immediate medical needs. Once enrolled, patients have access to a variety of specialists, as well as prescription medication, durable medical equipment and diabetic supplies. Since 1999:

- 15,018 patients served
- \$57,563,872 physician contributions
- \$193,556,153 hospital contributions
- \$134,506 dentist contributions
- \$5,807,067 purchased medications and durable medical equipment
- \$6,160,767 donated medications
- 40,493 tests utilized through the Coalition Test Project

Update on community programs

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to health care benefit plans and compares to the Kaiser Family Foundation benchmarking survey. Copies are available online or a hard copy is available upon request. If interested, please contact Shelley Duncan at shelleyduncan@cphcp.com or Matt Thibault at MattThibault@med-soc.org.

As for grants, we ended 2022 strong! Two organizations with whom we are supporting their Diabetes Self-Management Education & Support programs are making steady progress. One clinic in Wichita received their formal accreditation letter, while the other organization, a health department in north-east Kansas, has submitted their application and has hired an additional nurse practitioner who will be credentialed as a diabetes educator. In partnership with Project Access and Salud + Bienestar, a local community health worker organization, a pilot for the Healthy Heart Ambassador program was completed. Some 60% of initial participants stayed in the program. We continue to support local Diabetes Prevention Programs to increase enrollment, and we also are encouraging employers to offer the program as a standard covered benefit for their employees.

KSN spotlights Project Access



Project Access recently was featured on KSN News. Check out the broadcast through this link: youtu.be/GzgpozdtQg.


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